



## VENGE 2008 SILENCIEUX CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

### 6 DISTINCT NAP VALLEY VINEYARDS

VENGE'S CALISTOGA ESTATE "BONE ASH VINEYARD", CALISTOGA

BECKSTOFFER "GEORGES III VINEYARD", RUTHERFORD

STAR VINEYARD CLONE 4, RUTHERFORD

TERRA VALENTINE "WURTELE VINEYARD", SPRING MOUNTAIN

DARMS LANE VINEYARD, OAK KNOLL

OSO VINEYARD, POPE VALLEY



Our family has farmed Cabernet Sauvignon in the Napa Valley for nearly a half-century. Over the many years we have carefully chosen vineyard sources that speak for themselves through the quality of fruit they produce. We often describe these vineyards as standing silent and bearing the greatness of this renowned growing region.

This wine opens with scents of sweet cassis, aromatic anise, blackberries and coffee that lead to a concentrated, full-bodied and powerful wine that showcases great length on the palate. Approachable upon release, and cellar worthy in proper aging conditions, fans will love this wine for its fruit concentration and complex structure. Best now through 2024.

### IN THE VINEYARD

Harvest began October 14 and finished October 29. We selected fruit from a number of mountain (Spring Mountain, Terra Valentine Vineyard), bench land (Saint Helena, Madrigal Vineyard), and valley floor (Venge's Oakville and Calistoga Estate Vineyards) locations for the first vintage of Silencieux.

### IN THE CELLAR

The fruit was destemmed into small stainless steel fermentors and time on skins lasted 14 to 21 days. The fruit was then lightly pressed, keeping "free run" and "press" fractions separate and aged in a combination new and used French Oak barrels for 22 months. While we do add yeast to finish primary fermentation, we allow the indigenous malolactic bacteria to complete the secondary fermentation.

96% Cabernet Sauvignon  
4% Petite Verdot

0.69 g/100mL T.A., 3.43  
pH, 14.8% Alc

985 Cases Produced